

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1 A computer hardware configuration for performing the pseudo-spectral time-domain (PSTD)
2 method on data. The hardware configuration includes a forward fast Fourier transform (FFT) unit
3 that calculates a forward fast Fourier transform (FFT) from the data, and a complex multiplication
4 unit that receives the FFT-processed data and calculates a spatial derivative in the frequency domain
5 from the FFT-processed data. The hardware configuration further includes an inverse fast Fourier
6 transform (IFFT) unit that converts the spatial derivative in the frequency domain from the complex
7 multiplication unit into the time domain, and a computation engine that solves a PSTD equation
8 based upon the spatial derivative in the time domain received from the IFFT unit.